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## FROM GREEN COUNTY.

WHITEWOOD, Ky., Nov. 25, 1903.  
Editor of the News.

I have been contemplating for some time writing a letter for publication in The News, as we rarely ever hear anything from this "neck of the wood" since my old and time honored friend, Joseph H. Chandler, of Campbellville, laid down his pen and retired to private life, to spend the remainder of his days under his own vine and fig-tree, in peace with the world and all the rest of mankind. I did not set out to write a biographical sketch of my old and highly esteemed friend, or anyone else in particular, as the space to be allotted to this letter would forbid any thing of that character, but we can not forego this opportunity, and the pleasure that it affords us, of giving a few words in commendation of him which I think he so justly merits.

In the first place, Mr. Chandler is a man of brilliant mind and gigantic intellect. He is a natural born, I won't say politician, but will raise him a few notches and use the words more fitting, and say that he is a statesman both by nature and education, far ahead of the majority of the great common herd of mankind; and had it not been for some inscrutable, inexorable fate, things over which to a certain extent he had no control, he might have ascended to the topmost rounds of the ladder of political fame, and the people, his constituents, might have shared in the benefits of his counsel and influence in the halls of Legislation, either State or national. Aside from his natural gifts in things political, he is blessed with that greatest of all the Christian graces—charity. He is a man of big soul, true heart, wishing good for all his fellowmen. As a newspaper correspondent he has but few equals and no superiors in this part of the country. Every thing that emanated from his pen was interesting, witty and instructive, and bore the brand of him who knew his business. Now, I would say that my only regret is that my pen is too feeble to do full justice to the subject of this short sketch, who as statesman, philanthropist and newspaper correspondent should stand high in the estimation of all who are favored with his acquaintance.

While on the subject of newspaper correspondents, I have another in mind, Col. Smith, of Georgetown whose "Isobriquet" was "Bill Arp." He wrote for the Atlanta Constitution and other papers. He, like Mr. Chandler, had a political bent of mind and was a ready wit and humorist of the first order. How often when I would feel despondent and out of sorts, all broke up with the "blues," I would get one of Arp's letters, read it, and all the gloomy feelings would be dispelled like a fog from the rays of the sun. I do think the world is much better off for having such men. In one way they are benefactors to their race. The human mind is so constructed that it needs a change. Levity has its place; it acts as a stimulant to both mind and body. Yes, Arp was a gifted man in his way and has left a vacuum that will be hard to fill. But the melancholy thought forces itself upon us,—he is no more, having crossed over the dark river to that bourn from which no traveler ever returns, he is now exploring those untrodden regions that those on this side know nothing about. Peace to his ashes.

I said in the outset that I had contemplated writing this letter for some time which is true. But I had a motive in deferring the matter until now. My reason for so doing was that I wanted to wait until after the election. Although the result was just as I had calculated, my fondest anticipations being fully realized, I thought the time would be more propitious for the undertaking, as my nerves would be more settled and my mind more calm and serene.

Well, it snowed some here last night. Old mother earth is wrapped from head to foot in her white mantle. Every thing in nature seems to be hushed in a deathly

stillness, which is oppressive. Even the birds have failed to come out and chant their sweet songs in natural melody. The tinkling of the cow bell in the adjacent pasture is heard no more. The morning breeze fails to rustle through the tree tops—all quiet; the great political battle has been fought, the smoke has cleared away and we see victory perched away high on the banner of pure and undefiled democracy. Thank the Lord! Yes, the star of our hope as it shined through the great political horizon is brighter and seems to shine with greater effulgence than ever before. No, I bethought myself I will seize this opportunity to collect a few rough scattering thoughts, out of the great multitude that come rushing through my mind, I might so arrange them in condensed form as to make them presentable to the News.

Well, according to Creed Wilson's version of the case the weather has something to do with the elections. Nearly every body about Columbia knows Creed and everywhere else. Creed says that when the sun comes up pretty and bright, the democrats are sure to win on that day. His rule certainly held good the last election. It was a pretty day for a good day's work and the good results to follow. All honor to the true, brave and patriotic men who bore the heat and burden of that day and all through the whole campaign. As Henry Watterson would say the "boys in the trenches" did the work. They have placed the banner of democracy in the hands of our young Governor. That banner which has inscribed on its ample folds in great letters of gold, "Liberty and equal rights for all men, but exclusive privileges to none," and judging the future by the past, we may indulge in the full assurance that he will never betray the trust imposed upon him, nor let the emblem of liberty trail in the dust.

Now, in this connection, what can we say or should we say in regard to the case of our poor beleaguered brethren, who in a weak moment, let the temper, like Eve of old, lead them into the camp of the enemy, whose eyes were blinded by offering them the emoluments of office, something the majority of them failed to get, and like the prodigals, they were left to feed on the husks of black republicanism? Yes, said out, look stock and barrel, their political birthright, gone for a mess of pottage, and a mighty small mess at that. To say the least about it, it has a Judas Iscariot-Benedict Arnold flavor about it.

If there ever was a time in the whole history of Kentucky for all the lovers of good government to stand firm and to show an unflinching fidelity to principle, it was certainly in the last State election. When we look back a few years and see what a narrow escape we made from revolution, a general upheaval, when the whole machinery of our State government was in the hands of that reckless crowd at Frankfort, who goaded in human blood and practiced assassination for a pastime, it should cause all true men to redouble their exertions in order to prevent a repetition of such a doleful and dangerous state of affairs in the future.

Respectfully,  
W. W. ANDERSON.

At Ottawa, Ohio, there has come to be an annual feast known as "The Crow Dinner." Each year the Republican and Democratic leaders of Putnam county make a bet on results, the losing side to give the winners a dinner. This year the bet was on the State giving Herriek 100,000 plurality, the Republicans taking the side that the plurality would reach that figure and the Democrats believing that they had a cinch in beating against the proposition. But the Democrats lost, and the "crow dinner" was served to the winning side.

### IN MEMORIAM

Died, of consumption, at her late home, November 27, 1903, Bertha Cain. She bore her death calmly and bravely.

journey of life lies along the dark valley of the shadow of death and there is no place on its pilgrimage where its presence is not known.

Bertha left many streaming eyes and bleeding hearts—father, mother, sisters, brothers and friends. Though it be God's will not ours. He giveth and he taketh; yet I would say to the bereaved family, she was generous and cheerful, ever made a burning light in their home. Weep not dear family, but try to live here on earth so you can be prepared to meet her on the other shore where the faithful meet to part no more. She has entered heaven and is enjoying the rest prepared for the people of God.

### A FRIEND.

THE OTHER SIDE.  
Friends of the late Judge George Price, who was killed on the streets of Edmonstons last week by R. E. McCandless, say THE TIMES' account of the killing, in so far as it makes Judge Price the aggressor, does him an injustice. An eye-witness to both the quarrel between them in the court house and the shooting on the streets gives us this statement: In his speech before the jury Judge Price said that if it had not been for the little McCandless there would never have been anything of the fight between Carver and Ray. At this McCandless interrupted him and told him not to use his name again, at the same time attempting to strike Price with a chair. Price turned to the Judge and said, "Judge, will you have him out out or shall I shoot him out?" "Shoot, you'll never have a better time to do it," replied McCandless, at the same time putting his hand behind him as if to draw a weapon. "No, I do not want to shoot you," replied Price. The Judge then told the jury to take McCandless out, which he did.

McCandless walked down the street and was standing in front of the bank after the trial when Judge Price came along. Walking up to Price he said, "You were going to shoot me out, were you?" at the same time striking Price a blow which turned him half way round. Both men pulled their pistols and the shooting began almost simultaneously. Friends of Price claim McCandless fired first, and say that as an eye-witness of this, Price was shot in the back.

Feeling over the killing is so bitter the facts are hard to get at, and, in order to do justice to both sides in the affair, we publish the above, which was obtained from a gentleman who saw the quarrel in the courthouse and was within ten feet of the two men when the killing occurred.—Glasgow Times

### KENTUCKY SCRIPTURE

"Man born in the mountains of Kentucky is of good days and full of vigor. He is fishy, fiddleth, cuss-th and fight-th all the days of his life."

"He shunth water as a mad dog and drinketh much bad whisky."

"When he desirith to raise h—l he planteth a neighbor, an, let he repent twenthyfold. He riseth even from the cradle to seek the scalp of his grand-sire's enemy, and bringeth home in his carcass the ammunition of his neighbor's wife's cousin's uncle's father-in-law, who avenged the deed."

"Yes, verily, his life is uncertain and he knows not at what moment he may be j—ked hence."

"He goeth forth on a journey half shot and comes back on a shutter shot."

"He riseth in the night to let the cat out, and it taketh nine doctors three days to pick the buckshot out of him."

"He goeth forth in joy and gladness and cometh back in scraps and fragments."

"A cyclone bloweth him into the bosom of his neighbor's wife and her husband bloweth him into Abram's bosom before he has time to explain."

"He emptieth a demijohn into himself and a shogun into his enemy, and his enemy's son lieth in wait for him on election day, and let the corner ploweth up a forty acre field to bury the remains of that man."

"Woe, woe is Kentucky, for her eyes are red with bad whiskey and her soil is stained with blood of innocent moonshiners."

Kentucky, oh Kentucky, how I love thy classic shades, where fit the fairy figures of bright-eyed Southern maids. Where the birds are sweetly singing 'mid the flowers newly born; where the corn is full of kernels and the Colonels full of corn—Tiger and Crescent.

## GENERAL NEWS.

The Czar of Russia has been communicated from the Greek Catholic church.

An attempt was made to assassinate Secretary Graham, of the Bank of England.

John L. Sullivan's famous \$60,000 diamond belt has been sold at auction for \$2,900.

The open air treatment for tuberculosis is said to have proved successful in New York.

A Phillipsburg, N. J., woman gave birth to a child which had two perfectly formed necks and heads. The child did not live long.

While trying to save his two-year-old sister, whose clothes had caught fire, eight-year-old Ernest Pettit was fatally burned at Asheville, N. C.

Max Ectraff, a grocer of Oklahoma City, Okla., shot and killed his eight-year-old daughter, fatally wounded his wife and committed suicide.

The flag of the new Republic of Panama is exactly square and divided into four parts. The first upper square to the left, is blue, the first lower square to the left is white, with a blue star in its center; the second upper square in white, with a red star in its center, and the second lower square is red.

A T. Anderson, a Cincinnati property owner, attempted to eject a tenant's family by shooting and chopping bricks through the floor and turning the hose on the occupants of a lower flat. When he had wounded his tenant a mob gathered and he was compelled to hide out to avoid personal violence.

Wearing her mother's clothes, Mary Louise Barquet, of Baltimore, aged 14 years, eloped with Paul Albert Knight, aged 19, and just after the pair had been married the girl's father found them, chased them several blocks and they took his daughter home. He says he intends to have the marriage annulled. The young bride declares she loves knight, and says she will never consent to being separated from him.

On Friday, Chicago detectives, assisted by railroad men, farmers and laborers, captured Peter Neidermeyer, Harvey Vandine and Emil Dueski near Liverpool, Ind., after an exciting chase. Before being captured the three young outlaws killed T. S. Soves, a railroad brakeman, fatally wounded Joseph Driscoll, a detective, in the head and arm. All three of the outlaws were slightly wounded before they gave up the fight and surrendered. They are wanted for a series of murders and robberies. They are said to have killed eight men.

At Sedalia, Mo., last Sunday, Frank Dutton shot and killed Emil Meyers. In August last Dutton's daughter committed suicide, leaving a note charging Emil Meyers with her betrayal. "The father was not at home, and did not return until Saturday night. Sunday morning he interviewed two women who knew of Meyers' relations with his daughter, went to the church of the minister who preached her funeral sermon, went home to dinner, then walked to Meyers' home, called him out and told him he wanted to his side of the story of the girl's death. Meyers made a threat and Dutton shot him three times. The sympathy is with Dutton."

### TEWARDED WITH A PARDON.

Alexander Robertson, a scion of the aristocratic Kentucky family of the same name, was pardoned and released from the Utah State prison last Monday as a reward for an act of heroism which he performed during the recent outbreak at the pen in which two convicts escaped and two were killed. Robertson was serving a five-year term for embezzling \$60,000 from the Wells-Fargo Bank.

When he was arrested for the crime he was a City Councilman, talked for Mayor and was spokesman in the Council of the city administration. When the convicts at the prison attempted to escape last month Robertson was the prisoner who rang the alarm bell. He risked his life to do this, as three desperate convicts were ready to brain him when he touched the alarm button, and owing to his bravery three condemned murderers who were ready to break for liberty were penned in their cells. Robertson had three more years to serve, but the Pardon Board unanimously decided to liberate him, and Monday he left the prison a free man.

## BOOK TRUST ARGUMENT.

The argument is now being advanced that the fight before the coming legislature is simply a contest between rival book concerns, and is a matter in which the general public is nowise interested and by which it can, in no state of case, be benefitted. The advocates of a uniform school text-book bill have heard this plea before. It has been used in every state where the book trust has been routed, and is one of the principal stock-in-trade utterances of the school book trust gang. Its utter falsity can be seen at a glance.

The inevitable outcome of the passage of a law such as the Chinn school book bill, or the Hickman bill, is a cheapening of school books 25 to 50 per cent all over the State. There is not a school supply company in existence exerting itself, or fighting other companies, for such results as this. Any such application as law would be regarded with horror by any well-regulated trust—and as organizations of thrift school book companies stand at the head of the class,

If the fight for cheaper and better school books, and a system of state uniformity, is merely a struggle between rival book trust it would be interesting to know in the interest of what company Governor Goebel was acting when he declared in his opening speech of his campaign for governor: "I am in favor of the passage of such a law as was contemplated by what is known as the Chinn school book law, at the last session of the legislature. That law provides for the fixing of a maximum of school books used by the children of the common schools of the state. The maximum fixed in that law was 33 1/2 per cent less than the average prices now charged under the domination of the book trust, and yet it is 10 per cent, higher than the average maximum charged for the same books, under a law similar to the Chinn school book law, now in force in Indiana. Under the present state of affairs, the book trust requires a written contract from every school book dealer that he will not sell a book, even to the poorest child in this commonwealth, at less than the list price furnished by the trust. If a reduction of 33 1/2 per cent, in the price of school books will make the saving of a dollar a year to each child, it will amount to more than half a million dollars a year to the parents of the state. The Chinn school book bill was defeated by a solid republican vote, and by some democrats who deserted us, in the Senate." In favor of what company did Governor Goebel make this declaration?

What school book company was the democratic state convention of 1899 subsidized by when it adopted a straight, clear cut declaration against the school book trust as a plank in its state platform?

What school book company controlled the democrats of the legislature of 1902 when they again attempted the passage of an anti-school trust law, and were again defeated by a solid republican vote, combined with a few democrats?

What school book trust was behind Governor Beckham when he sent in his famous special message to the last legislature, calling attention to the enormities of the book trust and urging the members of the legislature to do their duty?

What book trust is behind Governor Beckham and the democratic party now in their earnest call upon the coming legislature to redeem its party's pledges and pass a school book law—or the democratic party is lost?

What school book trust is behind the parents and children of the state clamoring for the enactment of a law that will save them from a half million to a million dollars annually?

Any assertion that the fight for a uniform text book law is a mere struggle between book interest is a libel upon its face; an insult to every democrat in Kentucky, and carries with it the implication that, from state convention to legislature, democracy has deliberately sold her children, its mothers and its fathers, to the tender mercies of the book trust. God forbid that any political party has sunk so low as that!—Glasgow Times.

A statement is going the rounds of the papers that Hon. John G. Carlisle, who is private attorney of Pierpont Morgan, has made thirty millions of dollars through investments since he connected himself with the great financier. This is better than politics.

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